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Dear Mr. Pegg:

**Re: Status of the Degradation of Aesthetics Beneficial Use Impairment in the  
Thunder Bay Area of Concern**

Based on a comprehensive review by Environment and Climate Change Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks of the following report:

- *Thunder Bay Area of Concern Beneficial Use Impairment Assessment Report:  
Degradation of Aesthetics (December 2018)*

I am pleased to inform you that the Degradation of Aesthetics beneficial use impairment is hereby designated as "not impaired", pursuant to the provisions of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, 2012.

Congratulations to all the members of the Remedial Action Plan Implementation Committee, Public Advisory Committee, and the local community who have worked so diligently to attain this important environmental milestone.

I look forward to continued collaboration toward our shared goal of restoring the Thunder Bay Area of Concern.

Regards,

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